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1. TEAM SPIRIT: ALL PRESS CONTINUE FRONTPAGE COVERAGE
WITH ARRIVAL OF "SMITH" BATTALION. LENGTHY HANGUK ILBO
FEATURE FINDS EXERCISE "REASSURING".

2. TROOP WITHDRAWAL: KOREA HERALD EXCERPTS NYTIMES
ARTICLE DETAILING FACTORS WHICH COULD DEFEAT COMPENSA-
TORY PACKAGE AND FORCE RE-EXAMINATION OF PHASEOUT TIMING,
WITH QUOTES FROM REP ASPIN ON SUBJECT. HANGUK ILBO
COMMENTS PHASEOUT "IS NOT CARTER'S HASTILY DEVELOPED
CAMPAIGN PLEDGE ONLY" AND OPPOSITION "WON'T RESULT IN
CHANGE OF CARTER'S PHASEOUT PLAN".

3. PTS: FRONTPAGE WIRE SERVICE REPORTS CARRY 1) PTS
STATEMENT THAT KIM HYUNG WOOK LIED WHEN HE TOLD
HOUSE CMTE PARK WAS AGENT OF ROKG; 2) PTS DENIAL
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AT FED COURT OF ALL 36 COUNTS IN INDICTMENT AGAINST
HIM; 3) REP WEICKER STATEMENT THAT HE HAS DOCUMENTS
SHOWING US INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES KNEW OF ROK LOBBYING
ACTIVITIES IN EARLY 1970'S.

4. ROKG DIPLOMATS' TESTIMONY: SELECTED PAPERS EXCERPT
WASH STAR ARTICLE THAT PRESSURE TO OBTAIN TESTIMONY MAY

BACKFIRE ON USG; DOS OFFICIAL SAYING IN COMPARISON TO
ROK, MORE US DIPLOMATS WERE INVOLVED IN SIMILAR CASES
IN OTHER COUNTRIES.
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